



District of Lantzville Community Update

Economic Development SP & CB Select Committee, Parks Improvements, Council Update
Minetown Day, Water System, Earthquake Drill, Property Taxes, Home Owner Grant Refund Program, Bylaw Reminders

October 2017



Happy Thanksgiving!

The District Office will be closed for the statutory holiday (Thanksgiving Day) on Monday, October 9, 2017. The office will reopen at 8:00 am on Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

Opportunity to Apply Extended to October 16th! Volunteer Vacancies – New Committee

The District of Lantzville is seeking three community residents, representing a range of interests to serve on the Economic Development Strategic Plan and Community Branding Select Committee for a term commencing in early November 2017 and ending in March 2018, or once the strategic plan has been adopted by Council. Appointments are on a volunteer basis and members serve without remuneration. The Committee will meet, as a minimum, on the first Tuesday of each month (or as required) starting on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 6:00 pm. Visit www.lantzville.ca or the Municipal Hall, to view the Committee terms of reference. In order to be considered for appointment by Council, submit a letter with a brief resume highlighting your related interests and experience by 4:00 pm on Monday, October 16, 2017 to Ronald Campbell, CAO, at the Municipal Hall or ronaldcampbell@lantzville.ca.

Parks Improvements Update

Rotary Park – The scheduled Spring construction of a mountain bike skills circuit at Rotary Park at Harby Road East and Peterson Road was rescheduled (due to Spring weather and soil conditions) to be completed in the Fall of 2017 (the design and construction crew's next opening). Signs will be posted on site in advance for portions of the park expecting periods of closure during construction. Thank you for your patience and cooperation. *Schedule subject to change.*

Tennis Court – In an effort to revitalize and maximize underutilized tennis courts, many communities have added lines on the courts for one of the fastest growing sports: pickleball, so players of both sports (at different times, of course) can use the facility. They report the additional lines may cause some initial confusion, but players quickly get accustomed to the different coloured lines. Conversions are happening across BC with great success. Last month, the District completed painting pickleball lines on the tennis court on School Road. We look forward to seeing more players (from both sports!) enjoying the tennis court on School Road!

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, October 2nd – 7:00 pm Regular Council
Wednesday, October 4th – 6:00 pm Official Community Plan (OCP) Review Select Committee
Thursday, October 5th – 6:00 pm-8:00 pm at the Lantzville Legion, Attend the RDN public meeting to help plan for Lantzville's sustainable solid waste management
Monday, October 16th – 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole (COTW) (Financial Plan)
Tuesday, October 17th – 6:00 pm COTW (Financial Plan)
Thursday, October 19th – 4:30 pm Parks and Recreation Commission
Monday, October 23rd – 7:00 pm Regular Council
Monday, October 30th – 6:00 pm COTW (Financial Plan)
For more information, visit www.lantzville.ca or visit the District Office.

Council Update – In September 2017, Council:

- authorized sending a letter to the Minister of Forests, Land and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development in support of the proposal for the creation of the Knarston Creek Forest Corridor in Woodlot 1475; considering a partnership with other possible funders to compensate the woodlot licensee for reduction in timber harvest; and instructed staff to request a meeting with the Ministry
- adopted Phase III Sanitary Sewer Collection System Local Area Service Establishment Bylaw No. 143, 2017
- approved the Lantzville Volunteer Firefighters Association holding the annual bonfire and fireworks celebration on the District tennis court property on School Road on Tuesday, October 31, 2017 from approximately 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm
- authorized Councillor Colclough to attend the 2017 Union of BC Municipalities Convention in Vancouver
- approved the amended 2017 Council meeting schedule
- called an OCP Review Select Committee meeting to occur before the OCP Draft goes to the COTW
- approved a leak adjustment for water and sewer on account No. 006-07935010-000 (Lancrest Terrace)
- approved the Development Permit for 7660 Clark Drive (Aspengrove School) to accommodate refilling of the existing irrigation pond

Mayor's Office Hours

Tuesdays from 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Call the District Office at [250.390.4006](tel:250.390.4006) if you wish to book an appointment to meet with Mayor Haime.



Mark your calendar... Minetown Day 2018 is Saturday, September 8th!

Minetown Day 2017 was a great success thanks to:
M&J Tree Services Koers & Associates Engineering Ltd.
Teresa Battle Copcan Civil Ltd. & Woodlot 1475
Riso Foods Keller's Jewellers Ltd.
Quality Foods 4Cats Art Studio
Jack deJong Woodgrove Centre (Ivanhoe Cambridge)
Tom Whipps Tiger Mountain Music Studio
Blissful Days Spa Suzanne Turnbull & Girl Guides, the
Recyclers with assistance from The Royal Canadian
Legion Branch #257!

All of the fantastic entertainers who graced the stage, District of Lantzville, Parks & Recreation Commission, youth volunteers, vendors, supporters and the dedicated team of volunteers led by Julia Ohly! Volunteers or businesses interested in helping with Minetown Day 2018, please contact the District Office or julia.ohly@googlemail.com.

Community Water System Maintenance

The District's fire hydrants are scheduled for annual maintenance starting October 6th for a two-week period. Discolouration of water may result and, while this should not affect the quality of the drinking water, we recommend that laundry be done on weekends or evenings to avoid discolouration of clothes, etc. Our apologies for any inconvenience.

Join the Province-wide Earthquake Drill!

At 10:19 am on October 19, 2017 practice how to Drop, Cover, and Hold On during the Great British Columbia ShakeOut Drill. Participating is a great way for your family or organization to be prepared to survive and recover quickly from big earthquakes – wherever you live, work, or travel! For more information, visit www.ShakeOutBC.ca.



Property Taxes

Have you paid your Property Taxes and Claimed your Home Owner Grant? – Property Taxes were due July 4, 2017. A 5% penalty on outstanding balances has been applied and a further 5% penalty will be applied on October 2, 2017.

Parcel Tax Refund – If, for the years 2003-2015, you were the owner of a manufactured home identified on the list of impacted properties, you may be eligible for a Parcel Tax Refund. Visit www.lantzville.ca for additional information.

Home Owner Grant Refund Program

If, for the years 2003-2016, you were the owner of a property identified on the list of impacted properties, you may be eligible for an adjustment to your Home Owner Grant. Visit www.lantzville.ca for additional information.

BYLAW REMINDERS

Stage 2 Watering Restrictions – In effect until further notice. Visit www.lantzville.ca for details.

Burning Ban in Effect - Campfire Ban Lifted – Open fires are prohibited, including burn barrels, backyard burning, incinerators (all permits suspended), burn piles, burning grass, fireworks, binary exploding targets, sky lanterns, outdoor burning, etc. and are not permitted on private and public property in the District of Lantzville. Small campfires are still allowed. A Campfire is defined as any fire smaller than .5 meters high by .5 meters wide burning clean wood (no branches, yard waste, or pallets) used for cooking, heating and ceremonial purposes. It must have someone in attendance and you cannot burn yard debris or prohibited materials. Please fully extinguish any campfire after use, stay a safe distance away from combustibles and be considerate of your neighbors. Beach Fires follow the basic description of a campfire, plus the following additional considerations: beach fires are only allowed between 06:00 am and 11:00 pm, they MUST be extinguished fully before 11:00 pm and MUST be placed below the high tide line away from combustibles like drift logs. NO PALLETS are to be burned, only clean fire wood. Questions? Contact the Fire Chief at 250.390.2811 or visit www.lantzville.ca, for Outdoor Burning & Permit Information including the Fire Protection Services Bylaw No. 86, prohibited materials (Bylaw No. 86.1), and Coastal Fire Centre Bulletin and poster.

TO REPORT a FIRE: Dial 9-1-1

a BEACH FIRE: Dial 1.877.952.7277

a FOREST FIRE: Dial 1.800.663.5555

Or on a Cell Dial *5555

Open Burning – If the Burning Ban is lifted, the Open Burning regulations apply, i.e., Open Burning is closed through to and including October 15th, except with a permit for an incinerator fire, only permitted on Fridays and Saturdays if no ban is in place. From October 16, 2017 to May 14, 2018, residents are permitted to burn in their backyards without a permit as long as they follow the conditions and requirements.

Fireworks – Prepare for a safe and Happy Hallowe'en! Please remember that within the District of Lantzville:

- no person under the age of 18 is permitted to possess fireworks
- the sale of fireworks and use of firecrackers are prohibited
- except for setting off fireworks on October 31st from 9:00 am – 11:00 pm, you must obtain a District of Lantzville Special Use Fireworks Permit *BEFORE* setting off fireworks. Apply to the District, at least 3 business days in advance, for permit approval by the Fire Chief; special requirements may be added.
- Fines start at \$150.00

View the fireworks permit, safety brochure, and Bylaw No. 39, 2005 on the District website www.lantzville.ca or at the District office.